5. Visit of Sri Lankan Minister for Lands. Mr. Gamini Dissan vakeas Special Envoy of President Javewardene (15-17th March. 1988).	Ths outcome of this visit was more effective cooperation at the operational level in the implementation of the Indo-Sri Lanka Acreemcnt.
6. Visitof Mr. S. Thondaman Sri Lankan Minister for Rural Industrial Development to India fro 27th March to 4th April. 1988.	Mr. Thondaman met the President, the n Prime Minister and the Minister of Industry. The outcome of this visit wa.s a reiteration of the need for greater economic cooperation especiallv in areas which would benefit the Tamils of recent Indian origin in Sri Lanka.
7. Visit of Mr. Gamini Dissan[-1] yake former Minister for Lands. Land Development. and Ma ha - weli to India from 8th-llth May. 1988	The outcome of the visit was a firm reiteration that the IPKF is in Sri Lanka in accordance with the provisions of the Indo-Sri Lanka Agreement and that it's strength will be based on the operational requirements and the role it is required to plav in fulfilling the terms of the Indo-Sri Larka Agreement.
8. Visit of Raksha Mantri Sh. K.C. Pant as PM 's Special Envoy to Sri Lanka from 30th Mav to 1st June. 1988.	Raksha Mantri has meetings with the Sri Lankan President. Sri Lankan Ministers of lands. National Securitv and Transport. The proeress in the implementation of the Agreement was reviewed and both sides shares the firm conviction that the implementation of the Indo-Sri Lanka Agreement was essential for maintaining and Strengthening the unitv of Sri Lanka. Indo-Sri Lanka friendship. regional peace and stabilitv. It was also decided that the strength of the IPKF in Sri Lanka would depend on operational requirements and the situation on the ground.
III. *Official Level*	
1. Three rounds of discussions were held between August and September 1987 terms of Article 2.15 of the InJo-Sri Lanka Agreement to rs :- solve residu 1 m tters not finalised betwee i Mav and December 1986.	The India delegation w?s headed by our High Commissioner in Sri Lar.ka and the Sri Lankan delegation by the Secretarv to the Sri Lankan President. The outcome of these talks was that legislation was en'.cted in Sri Lanka for setting up Provincial Councils and delivering substantial Powers on them. thereby creating the frameworn for greater autonomv for the Tamils. The promised to improve this devolution package at a later stage.
2. Civil Aviation talks were held between India and Sri Lanka in Colombo from 5th tc 7th April. 1986	The outcome was the signing a Memorandum of Understanding for increased Cooperation in this sector which *inter alia* provided foi- gieat&i frequencv from Delhi to Colombo It was al<=o decided that there would be a flight to Jaffna.

Introduction of high speed trains on Delhi—Agra—Kanpur Section

*107. SHRl KAMAL MORARKA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to refer to the answer to Starred Question 7 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 27th July, 1988 and state:

(a) what are the findings of the feasibility study conducted for running trains at 250 kmph, on Delhi— Agra—Kanpur Section; and

(b) whether Government proposes to introduce such trains on this sector in the near future?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAV RAO SCINDIA): (a) The pre-feasibility study report has not yet been submitted.

(b) Does not arise.

Five star hotels with collaboration of foreign countries

*111. SHRI M.A. BABY:

SHRI E. BALANANDAN:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have allowed seven foreign companies to set up five star hotels jn the country;

(b) if so', what are the details of the said arrangements; and

(c) what are the places where those hotels would be set up?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI SHIVRAJ PATIL): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Turnover of ITDC hotels

•112. SHRI SHANTI TYAGI: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) what is the amount of sales turnover of ITDC during April, 1988 and January this year and that of the corresponding period during the preceding year and the overall occupancy of the ITDC hotels;

(b) whether ITDC has taken joint ventures in the country and abroad; if so, the location of these projects; and

(c) whether ITDC is planning to boost efficiency?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI SHIVRAJ PATIL): (a) to (c) The turnover of ITDC as a whole during the period April 1988 to January 1989 as compared to corresponding period last year and overall occupancy of ITDC hotels for the said period are as under:—

(Rs. in lakhs)

	1987-88 (April-Jan)	1988-89 (April-Jan)
Turnover .	7415.60	8464.52
Occupancy	67%	68%

ITDC has so far undertaken the following Joint Venture Projects in the country and abroad :—

In the country :

Six Joint Venture Hotel Projects at Guwahati (Assam), Puri (Orissa), Ranch! (Bihar), Bhopal (MP), Pondicherry (U.T.), Itanagar (Arunachal Pradesh).

Besides ITDC has also set up a Fast Food Restaurant at Mata Vai-shno Devi Shrine as a Joint Venture with Mata Vaishno Devi Shrine Board. [TDC has also signed agreement with Punjab Tourism Development Corporation for setting up a Joint Venture hotel project at Chandigarh with Jammu & Kashmir Tourism Development Corporation for setting up a resort project at Pahalgam.

Abroad :

ITDC in collaboration with Trust of Station Restaurants Moscow has set up an Indian cuisine Restaurant at Moscow commissioned on 4-7-87. In addition ITDC has signed collaboration agreements for setting up one Joint Venture Hotel project at Wellington Newzealand and two Joint